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NO NEGRO FOR ME SAYS JEFFRIES

Will Fight Any White
Man in the Whole
World.

DR. OSLER HALF RIGHT, SAYS JIM

The Champion Thinks Men Go
Back Physically After Forty,
But Experience and Mental
Power Come With Age.
Does Not Pretend to
be an Actor.

Mr. James Jefferson Jeffries, champion of the world pugilist and heroic actor in his idle moments, is as pleasant a man as one meets on a winter's day. There is no desire to "knock" the other members of his profession; indeed, he has a kind word to say for all those who have stood up against him. Mr. Jeffries remarked casually that he had no ambition to adopt Shakespeare's plays, nor did he desire to play Claude Melnot in the Lady of Lyons; however, the character of Davy Crockett appealed to him, for his boyhood days had been spent in hunting and trapping, and "Davy" was very human to him. "My father was an evangelist," he said, "and it nearly killed him when I began to fight. He has gotten used to it now, and we are great chums. The first time I ever fought was at Los Angeles. I was only seventeen then, and I knew absolutely nothing about the business. A chap named Dr. Osler met me and I knocked him out by main strength in the fourteenth round. I weighed 215 pounds in those days and was as strong as an ox."

Bob a Great Fighter.

"I say, you can just say for me that Bob Fitzsimmons is the greatest fighter that ever lived. That's on the level. He is a middleweight, but he fought his way up into the heavyweight class, and he came pretty near staying there. He is a good fellow, right, and I like him. Corbett is all right, too, and I admire him. The hardest fight I ever had was with Fitzsimmons, and the easiest was when I knocked out Munroe. "Do you ever get nervous, Mr. Jeffries?" "I don't know what the word means. I'm in business for the money in it, and nerves cut no figure with me. I'm a born and bred American, for my people come from the South and were followers of Thomas Jefferson, from whom I got my name. "I love a good fight and I hate a farce. I never was in but one farce, and I'll never be in another. I like the real thing. "What do you think of Dr. Osler's dictum about a man being no good after forty?" "Osler is half right. That's the 'dope.' A man don't get any better physically after he's forty. He goes back then, but a man don't really get intelligent until he's past forty. He gets experience after that. Physically, Osler is right; mentally, he is wrong. "Having thus disposed of the man of science in a single round, the champion talked of the future. "Draws the Color Line. "I will fight any white man in the world, but I don't propose to take any chances of losing the championship to a nigger. Should that misfortune come it will be through no fault of James J. Jeffries. Jack Johnson, the champion negro heavyweight, wants to fight me, but he's not the right color. "What about these strong men? Could they stand up against you?" "One walk up, and they're gone," quoth the big one, with briefness that was full of eloquence. That finished that round in short order. "William Delaney, the Christopher Columbus of champions, the Martin Luther of prize ring methods, and the George Washington of press agents, remarked that "Jim" was a man without nerves. "I had to shake him to wake him thirty minutes before he went into the ring at Coney Island to meet and defeat Fitzsimmons. I have seen a lot of good ones, but I haven't seen any that is as good as James J. Jeffries. "The champion, accompanied by his hide of less than a year, whom he married at Oakland, Cal. "As a farewell he said: "There may be a few who can drive me to the ropes in the theatrical business, but when it comes to the ring James J. Jeffries is champion, with no challengers. "If the fighting gentry desire to avoid bodily casualties, it looks to a rank outsider as though Mr. Jeffries' remarks were prophetic.

BIT \$200 DIAMOND FROM MAN'S SHIRT FRONT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, March 1.—Accused of having bitten a two hundred dollar diamond stud from the shirt front of John Hay, the cotton of Texas and Jeffries is champion, with no challengers. "If the fighting gentry desire to avoid bodily casualties, it looks to a rank outsider as though Mr. Jeffries' remarks were prophetic.

TEXAS ANXIOUS TO HELP SLAY BEEF TRUST

(By Associated Press.) AUSTIN, TEX., March 1.—The lower House of the Texas Legislature today adopted a resolution warmly endorsing President Roosevelt's action in attacking the so-called beef trust, and appointed a committee of six legislators to confer with the cotton of Texas and Jeffries is champion, with no challengers. "If the fighting gentry desire to avoid bodily casualties, it looks to a rank outsider as though Mr. Jeffries' remarks were prophetic.

POINTER ON THE WEATHER

At 1 A. M.	At 4 A. M.
35	30
30	25
25	20
20	15
15	10
10	5
5	

Forecast—For Thursday and Friday, Virginia fair, Thursday, Friday fair, with morning light, north wind, becoming variable, Saturday, Sunday, colder, Thursday, Friday fair, warmer in interior, light to fresh north to northeast winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.
Richmond's weather yesterday was cloudy and raw with a stiff breeze blowing, range of the thermometer:
9 A. M. 37 6 P. M. 50
12 M. 31 9 P. M. 48
2 P. M. 40 12 midnight 45
Average 43.1
Highest temperature yesterday 50
Lowest temperature yesterday 31
Mean temperature yesterday 43
Normal temperature for March 49
Departure from normal temperature, 6
Precipitation during past 24 hours .02

MINIATURE ALMANAC.
March 2, 1905.
Sun rises 6:42
Sun sets 4:30
Moon rises 11:32
Evening 2:18

MAY TRY TO GET AN EXTRA SESSION

Flat Top and New River Operators to Bring Pressure to Bear Upon President.

TO WORK ON CASSATT FIRST

Effort Will be Made to Get President of Pennsylvania to Recede From Position.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 1.—The coal operators from the Flat Top and New River fields, who met here on Monday for the purpose of protesting against the proposed increase of twenty-five cents per ton on coal from those fields to Tidewater, will meet again on the 9th instant in this city. It is understood that representatives of the operators will confer with the management of the Pennsylvania in the meantime, and endeavor to induce President Cassatt to recede from his position that the rates shall be increased on coal to Tidewater from the Virginia and West Virginia mines. Falling in this, the operators who represent \$20,000,000 invested capital, will take other steps. Those steps, according to one of the leading operators at the conference, who is still in Washington, will be in the nature of pressure on the President to call an extra session of Congress in the spring for the purpose of enacting legislation along the lines proposed in the Townsend-Esch bill, which passed the House and was killed by the Senate.

Elkins With Them.

"The coal operators are more powerful than might be supposed," said the operator mentioned. "The fact that every dollar of the millions which Senator Elkins has invested in coal property is affected by the proposed increase in freight is of immense advantage to us. He is chairman of the Committee on Commerce, and he has decided to go with us. He has to be. The increase in rates would mean the destruction of our coal mines. "The increase of rates means that the Pennsylvania, which controls the Baltimore and Ohio, the Chesapeake and Ohio and the Norfolk and Western, wants the coal and the Norfolk and Western, wants the coal for market than they have been able to do with a fair rate. It also means that the Pennsylvania Railway is trying to get control of all the mines in the Flat Top and New River fields. It owns about half of them now. "I know enough of the situation to be able to say that if President Cassatt refuses to recede from his resolution to increase the rates on coal from Virginia mines and leave it unchanged on coal from Pennsylvania, mines, tremendous pressure will be exerted to induce the President to call an extra session much earlier than October. If the new rate should go into effect on the 10th of March, as is proposed, we would be greatly injured by October. Many of the mines would be out of business."

HOUSE WILL GIVE ONLY \$250,000 TO JAMESTOWN

Bill Making Appropriation Will Probably be Passed To-day, Cannon Willing.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 1.—Probabilities are that the House will pass a bill to-morrow appropriating \$250,000 to be expended in commemorating the three hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown. Representatives Maynard, Tawney and Sherman, and other friends of the Exposition, had a conference with Speaker Cannon to-day, and the latter agreed that a bill of this kind could be passed, which means that he consented it should pass. The general deficiency bill had the right of way in the House to-day, otherwise the exposition bill would have been called up. Senator Daniel said to-night he thought the Senate would agree to an appropriation of \$250,000 for the exposition. "This appropriation is to be expended in a naval exposition or rendezvous, in which all the nations will be invited to participate. There will be no government building and no land exhibit. Senator Daniel found the sentiment of the Senate towards his amendment to the sundry civil bill so inimical that he did not press it.



ELECTRIC MOTOR IN A COLLISION

They Come Together Head-On at Full Speed.

SEVERAL ARE BADLY HURT

Misunderstanding of Orders Responsible for the Wreck.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 1.—A head-on collision between electric motor cars loaded with passengers occurred to-night about 1 o'clock on the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railroad just outside of this city, demolishing the motors and seriously injuring several persons. The injured were Frederick Schneider, of Marietta, Pa., both legs crushed and injured internally; Conductor A. A. Davis, left leg injured; Motorman John Sutton, wound in head; Frank Lucas, leg and hand out, all of this city; Miss Corrie Hawes, of Alexandria county, injured internally; Emma Doniphan, of Washington, injured in knee. Many other passengers were badly bruised and shaken up. Schneider was taken to the Alexandria Hospital, where his injuries were thought to be fatal. The trains were running rapidly when they collided. A misunderstanding of orders is said to be responsible for the wreck.

HETTY GREEN CANNOT NOW CARRY REVOLVER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, March 1.—The permit issued to Mrs. Hetty Green to carry a revolver has been revoked. This fact was admitted yesterday by Inspector Brooks in discussing an application made by John W. Cornish, of No. 72 East 38th Street, and Mrs. Cornish, were held up near their home and Mrs. Cornish was robbed of a \$5,000 diamond brooch. Mrs. Cornish would get her permit refused to say why Mrs. Green's permit had been revoked.

POSTOFFICE ROBBERS LEFT TRAIL OF STAMPS

(By Associated Press.) ATLANTA, Ga., March 1.—Two robbers blew open the postoffice safe at East Point, a suburb of Atlanta, to-day, secured \$1,000 worth of stamps and \$20 in money, and made good their escape. In their haste to get away the robbers sent stamps along the road as far as Fort McPherson. So far there is no clue to the identity of the robbers.

NOT TO ANNEX HAITI OR SANTO DOMINGO

Hay Disclaims Intention on Part of United States to Absorb Republics.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 1.—In answer to an inquiry on the subject, Secretary Hay has formally assured the Haitian minister here that the United States government has no intention whatever of acquiring by annexation or otherwise possession of Haiti or Santo Domingo, or of extending American influence in that direction. Secretary Hay's letter, which is dated February 29th, is as follows: "In answer to your inquiry made this morning, it gives me pleasure to assure you that the government of the United States of America has no intention of annexing either Haiti or Santo Domingo, and no desire of acquiring possession of them, either by force or by negotiation, and that, even if the citizens of either of these republics should solicit incorporation into the American Union, the national government, nor in the sphere of public opinion, to agree to any such proposal. Our interests are in harmony with our sentiments in wishing you only continued peace, prosperity and independence. To this Minister Leger, of Haiti, responded with a cordial note of thanks.

PAIR OF HORSES INVAD A HOME

Runaway Team Tears Up Stairs and Frightens the Inmates.

PUZZLE TO GET THEM DOWN

A Mad Dog Killed After Biting Several People.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DANVILLE, VA., March 1.—The citizens on North Main Street witnessed the unusual sight this morning of a pair of frightened horses dashing up a flight of stairs and alarming the members of two families occupying the upper story of the building. After considerable difficulty, the animals were finally brought down from their place of refuge in the hallway of the second story. The horses were the property of Mr. James Jeffries, of Milton, N. C. After the animals had been driven across the bridge they became frightened, getting from under the control of the driver. The horses started on a run up North Main Street. Several citizens, hoping to aid the driver, attempted to check their flight. They hemmed in as they were, could neither run down the hill or up. Consequently they turned in at the sidewalk and dashed up a flight of steps in the tenement house owned by Mr. W. W. Clark. A number of grocers occupy the lower rooms of the building, while the family of Mr. George Lynch and a number of other citizens used the upper story as a dwelling. "Horses in Second Story. The horses, still tied together and side by side, marched up the stairway and did not stop until they reached the top. The occupants looked from the rooms and were startled to see the wild horses standing in the hallway, and immediately fastened themselves inside. "A number of children and women were severely frightened by the unexpected occurrence. Many people gathered around the building and the problem that then stared the driver in the face was what method to pursue to get the horses in his care to the street again. The animals were caught, but were not in the humor to walk down the steps they had climbed so easily. Both balked when a number of men attempted to lead them down, and parties were at work on the situation for nearly half an hour before a feasible plan was devised. Instead of leading the horses, the men grabbed the bridles and got them out of the building by making them walk down the steps backwards. "Mad Dog Scare. A mad dog was killed on Main Street this morning after having violently attacked several children on their way to school. Harry Harvey, collector for the Southern Bell Telephone Company, was going down Jefferson Street, when he suddenly ran into the dog, which made a vicious lunge at him. Harvey fled, but did not prevent the dog tearing off with his teeth a piece of cloth from his coat. Miss Blise Louhoff, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Louhoff, of Green Street, was also attacked by the dog. The animal succeeded in getting a grip on her arm, but did not bite through the dress. The young lady was much frightened at her experience.

ARKANSAS TRAVELER HELD UP BY BANDITS

Safe Blown Open and Contents Removed—Robbers Get About \$2,000.

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 1.—East-bound train No. 23, on the St. Louis and San Francisco, known as "The Arkansas Traveler," was stopped by three bandits eight miles south of Mammoth Springs, Ark., to-day, and the Southern Express Company's safe was blown open and robbed of its contents. The officials of the express company here do not know how much money was secured. The train was signalled shortly after leaving Mammoth Springs by three men heavily armed and covered Messengers Harry White and Robbed of its contents. The amount of money usually carried on this train is not large. The trainmen are of the opinion that the robbers did not secure more than \$2,000.

OCTOGENARIAN WEDS GIRL OF FOURTEEN

Man Three Times a Widower Takes Youthful Bride—Parents Satisfied.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LAUREL, DEL., March 1.—A sensation was created here to-night when it was learned that Joseph Hill, an octogenarian farmer residing at Portville, four miles from Laurel, had eloped with Sallie, the fourteen-year-old daughter of Philip Satchell, a Nanticoke fisherman. Just after Christmas, Hill, who has been three times a widower, purchased his fiancée a costly trousseau and arranged to be married, but the neighbors watched him too closely. Last night they met, and after a most circuitous drive, found a minister, who made them man and wife. Hill, who is a well-to-do farmer, took his bride home, and his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren greeted her in the most friendly way. "The relatives of the bride also seemed pleased. Mr. Hill says it appears "that it is only the neighbors and the young men who wanted my wife and the girls that wanted me that are causing so much talk and all the trouble."

DIAGNOSE CASE AS VARIOLOID

Doctors State That Mr. Robert L. Campbell Has Mild Case.

WAS AT THE WESTMORELAND

Statement Issued by the Board of Managers—Patient at Pest House.

(The Board of Management of the Westmoreland Club announces to the members that Mr. Robert L. Campbell, one of the non-resident members, who for the last few days had a room in the club, has been declared ill with varioloid. "He was at once removed from the club and the room fumigated. All other requirements and suggestions of Dr. W. T. Oppenheimer, president of the Board of Health, have been strictly observed. "Dr. Oppenheimer assures the board that there is no reason for the members of the club to be apprehensive of danger in the future use of the club house; at the same time he recommends that all members of the club, who have not been successfully vaccinated recently, take the precaution of new vaccination, especially in case of those who have been in contact with Mr. Campbell. (Signed) "R. A. LANCASTER, Jr., "Secretary."

CAUGHT IT IN TAZEWELL.

Mr. Campbell had lately returned to Richmond from Tazewell county, where he had been engaged in the insurance business. He had complained for several days of feeling feverish and had the idea that he was suffering from "grippe" was the cause of his indisposition. On Tuesday afternoon he sent for Dr. Lewis Boshier, who called in Dr. W. T. Oppenheimer, president of the Board of Health. Dr. Oppenheimer saw at once that Mr. Campbell had smallpox. It was then 6 o'clock, and Dr. Oppenheimer thought it best to delay removing Mr. Campbell to the pest house until dark. Promptly at 8 o'clock Mr. Campbell walked from the club house and entered the ambulance, which took him to

21 WANTED TO-DAY.

The 21 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 8 are as follows:
13 Trades, 3 Domestic, 2 Salesmen, 3 Miscellaneous.
This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

DYING, SHE SAID "I AM POISONED"

Second Attempt on Life of Mrs. Leland Stanford Does Not Fail.

FLED TO KOREA TO ESCAPE ENEMY

Mysterious Circumstances Surrounding Death of Wife of Former United States Senator and Founder of University—Not Explained by Investigation.

(By Associated Press.) HONOLULU, March 1.—Mrs. Jade Lathrop Stanford, of San Francisco, widow of United States Senator Leland Stanford, died at 11:40 o'clock last night at the Moana Hotel here. Suspicious circumstances surround the death of Mrs. Stanford. She was taken ill at 11 o'clock, and said: "I have been poisoned." Her last words were: "This is a horrible death to die."

Mrs. Stanford came here from San Francisco on the Korea February 21st. In conversation with Mrs. Henry Highton, of San Francisco, who is now here, Mrs. Stanford said that an attempt had been made to poison her in that city, and that this was her reason for sailing on the Korea. It was Mrs. Stanford's belief, according to Mrs. Highton, that enough poison had been used to kill twenty persons.

STRYCHNINE IN BOTTLE.

Before retiring last night Mrs. Stanford took a dose of bismuthine of soda, which was purchased at San Francisco. It is reported that the soda contained strychnine. Dr. F. H. Humphries, who attended Mrs. Stanford, and who is making an examination of the contents of the bottle, which had not been touched since Mrs. Stanford left San Francisco, believes there was poison in it. Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Stanford went to a picnic. She ate heartily. On returning to the hotel she took only soup for dinner, and retired shortly after 10 o'clock. At 11 o'clock a guest of the hotel, who occupied an adjoining room, heard Mrs. Stanford gasping and running to the door, found her lying on the floor. She had evidently tried to summon help. At the time of Mrs. Stanford's death there were present Miss Berner, her secretary, and her maid, Mary Hunt. Both are prostrated.

WHAT COMPANION SAYS.

In accordance with local law, a coroner's jury was immediately summoned and viewed the remains, which were later taken to an undertaker's to await an autopsy. "Mr. Henry Highton told the Associated Press correspondent that Mrs. Stanford said to her shortly after arriving here: "The reason I left San Francisco was because an attempt had been made on my life—an attempt to poison me—and enough poison was used to kill twenty persons." Mrs. Stanford seemed to be greatly affected," said Mrs. Highton. "I sought to disabuse her mind of the idea, as I feared it might be only a delusion, but Mrs. Stanford talked so rationally about the attempt on her life that I do not now hold the belief that it was a mere fancy of hers. I was very uneasy after this talk with Mrs. Stanford, and I wrote to mutual friends in San Francisco about the matter. They told me they feared such attempts had been made, no names, however, being mentioned."

DOCTOR'S STATEMENT.

Dr. Humphries made the following statement to the Associated Press: "When I was called in I found Mrs. Stanford in convulsions, and applied the quickest remedies, but it was not possible to save her life. Mrs. Stanford said to me: 'Doctor, I have been poisoned.' "Mrs. Stanford's condition seemed to indicate strychnine poisoning. Between convulsions her mind was unusually active, and she said: 'This is the second time they have tried to kill me. They tried it last January, and I came here to avoid them.' "I tasted the contents of the bottle," continued Dr. Humphries. "Before making an analysis I am unable to swear that it contained strychnine, but I am

RUSSIANS WAVER; READY TO RETIRE, DECLARES REPORT

The War Office Withholds News—People Believe Kuropatkin Retreating

NOTHING HEARD FROM LEFT FLANK

Silence Believed to Forebode Nothing But Disaster for Russian Force.

TERRIFIC FIGHT FOR BRIDGE OVER SHAKHE

Rennenkampff's Division, Fighting Desperately Against Heavy Odds, Retreats to Northward—Heavy Bombardment of Poutloff and Novgorod Hills.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2—2:54 A. M.

The curtain of a rigid censorship has settled down over events in Manchuria. There is no news of the results of yesterday's fighting. Dispatches describing the picturesque events of the night retreat from Da Pass and the all-night combat at the railroad bridge across the Shakhe River have been allowed to come through, but nothing to show whether General Kuropatkin is withdrawing or is determined to stand his ground. It is significant that no news has been received from the threatened left flank, the last dispatches leaving the Russians clinging desperately to Oubensupa against strong forces of General Kuropatkin's veterans. Although it is not admitted at the war office, the general impression in military circles is that General Kuropatkin may be forced to withdraw. Not only is General Kuropatkin's position, but the reports at Poutloff Hill and Novgorod Hill, and even the hills themselves, keys to the position of the Russian campaign, appear to be crumbling away under the impact of terrible eleven-inch shells, such as levelled the fortifications of Port Arthur, and rendered the fortress itself untenable. Two brief dispatches from General Kuropatkin, dated February 27th and February 28th, confirm the capture of the head of the Shakhe River bridge. Attacks of the Japanese on Gauto Pass were repulsed February 27th and again February 28th. The Russian and Japanese still hold Poutloff (Lena Tro) and Kudzan. The sharpshooters continue to harass the whole Japanese front and caused considerable alarm by the use of hand grenades at Sandapu during the night of February 27th.

ATTACK ON HILLS.

Japanese Shelling Poutloff and Novgorod—Russian Fire Ineffective.

(By Associated Press.) MUKDEN, March 1.—For three days Poutloff and Novgorod hills have been subjected to a terrific bombardment with eleven-inch shells, charged with Shimosa powder. In a distance the hills look like volcanoes spouting flame, and great clouds of smoke and hail of earth and stones falling far beyond their bases. The Russian siege batteries are answering energetically, but their fire is comparatively ineffectual. All is quiet on the right flank at this time, it being reported that General Nogi is operating against the left flank. The weather to-day was magnificent—warm and dry.

SACHETUN, MANCHURIA, March 1.

"One of the Japanese have opened a tremendous fire with field and siege guns against Poutloff (Lena Tro) and Kudzan. Colossal clouds of white smoke envelop the hill on two sides. The bombardment of the right flank continues. The artillery fighting continues along the whole front of 100 miles. The eastern detachment near Poutloff and Kudzan have repulsed the Japanese attack. The Japanese have also been driven from Tun-shan Pass and from the vicinity of Gauto Pass. At the bridge over the Shakhe River a furious struggle continued. A small wood near by has been continually changed hands, but is now definitely occupied by the Japanese. It is rumored that a division of Japanese on the extreme right is marching north and has reached Kalama.

DREARY RETREAT.

Rennenkampff's Division, Fighting Desperately, Retreats to Northward.

(By Associated Press.) OUBENSUPA, Feb. 28th. (Via Mukden, March 1.)—One of the coldest and most cheerless operations of the winter warfare in Manchuria was the thirteen-mile retreat of the Tinkhetchen division the night of February 25th from Da Pass to Oubensupa. All day General Rennenkampff's soldiers, wearied by a week of continual fighting and the withdrawal by the abandonment of Tinkhetchen, had clung off a flank after attack by overwhelming numbers of Japanese in order to cover the withdrawal of supplies which had been accumulated in large warehouses at Solun. Word was received at 9 o'clock that the soldiers had begun to retreat. The wind was high, the cold bitter and snow was falling heavily. Wary and superstitious, the soldiers scarcely could see their file leaders. Every minute the rattle of musketry on the Gauto Pass road became louder and the